

## General Assembly 2026

Date: Thursday March 19, 2026

Location: Café Restaurant Obergass, Schulgasse 1, 8400 Winterthur Time: 18h00

Chair: Ahlan Marriott

Keeper of the Minutes: David Mirfin

Attendance:

David Mirfin (Vice-President)	Ahlan Marriott (President)	Urs Maurer
Gautier de Montmollin	Simon Zumbrunnen	Eugen Wintersberger
Reto Gaberthüel	Holger Rodriguez (ind. auditor)	Jacek Prorok (Treasurer)
Eugen Wintersberger	Benoit Steinmetz	Peter Vogelsanger

### Minutes

1. Approval of the Agenda.

**Approved unanimously.**

2. President's report. See Appendix C

3. Treasurer's report. See Appendix D

4. Report of the independent auditor. See Appendix E

**Motion 1:** *To approve the 2025 results as presented by the Treasurer.*

**Approved unanimously.**

5. Election of the members of the board.

**Motion 2:** *To approve the re-election of the existing board members.*

**Approved unanimously.**

6. Election of the Independent Auditor for 2026 – we shall need a volunteer.

**Motion 3:** *The election of the Independent Auditor.*

**Holger was elected unanimously (for the third and final time) and in 2027 Eugen will take over.**



# Ada-Switzerland

7. Ada-Europe Supplement for Ada User Journal Printed Version by Post (see Appendix A)

**Motion 4:** *To ratify the decision of the Board of Ada-Switzerland to cover the cost of the Ada User Journal Postal Delivery supplement for 2026 for Ada-Switzerland members who are indirect members of Ada-Europe, and who want to receive the journal by post in printed form, out of Ada-Switzerland funds.*

**Unanimously approved.**

**Motion 5:** *To vote at the Ada-Europe GA in favour of an increase in the AUJ postal supplement.*

**Unanimously approved.**

**Motion 6:** *To pass-on the cost of the Ada User Journal Postal Delivery supplement for 2027 and in subsequent years via a similar charge individually to those Ada-Switzerland members who are indirect members of Ada-Europe and want to receive the journal by post in printed form.*

**Unanimously approved. The treasurer will write to the AUJ recipients to remind them that for 2027 they will not get a hard copy of AUJ unless they agree to an increased fee.**

8. Anticipated Increase in the Ada-Europe Membership Dues (see Appendix B)

**Motion 7:** *To vote at the Ada-Europe GA in favour of an increase of the Ada-Europe membership dues.*

**Unanimously approved.**

**Motion 8a:** *To agree that, if Ada-Europe increases its dues for indirect membership, Ada-Switzerland will increase the membership dues charged to its members with indirect membership in Ada-Europe by a similar corresponding amount.*

**Unanimously rejected as recommended by Ahlan.**

**Motion 8b:** *If motion 8a is rejected, to agree that, if Ada-Europe increases its dues for indirect membership, Ada-Switzerland will NOT increase the membership dues charged to its members with indirect membership in Ada-Europe but will instead increase the membership dues for ALL AdaSwitzerland members by a similar corresponding amount.*

**Rejected by majority vote (11 for, 1 against) as recommended by Ahlan.**

9. Ada Europe conference 2027 – request for industrial presentations from Ada Switzerland members. Note that Ada-Switzerland grants remain available for such contributions.
10. The proposal that Switzerland should host the Ada-Europe Conference 2028. Ada-Europe has invited Ada-Switzerland to organize the Ada-Europe conference on Reliable Systems AEiC 2028. The formal backing of Ada-Switzerland members is necessary before this invitation can be accepted. Ahlan expects to do most of the work but we need volunteers to help him.

# Ada-Switzerland



We would not be expected to organize the actual conference programme, ie the content, but rather merely the logistics.

We will need to find a location, sponsors and to organize the welcome event, conference banquet and the after conference “chill” event.

We will also need to collect the registration fees and handle the finances, although, provided we stay within an agreed budget there would be no financial risk - any profit or loss would be those of AdaEurope.

If agreed, a conference committee must be established.

**Motion 9:** *To approve the acceptance of the invitation from Ada-Europe to organize the Ada-Europe conference on Reliable Systems AEiC 2028 in June 2018*

**Approved by majority vote (9 for, 3 abstain)**

**Motion 10:** *To appoint a conference committee that will be responsible for planning and organizing the Ada-Europe conference on Reliable Systems AEiC 2028 with the goal of finding a suitable location and preparing an acceptable draft budget by the end of the year (31-Dec-26)*

**Unanimously approved.**

**Motion 11:** *To approve funding, limited to 1000 CHF to cover the cost of planning and organizing the 2028 Ada-Europe.*

**Unanimously approved.**

11. There is a suggestion that we should table a motion that there be always 1000 CHF available for an annual Ada Event should anyone care to organize one. This arrangement would remain until revoked and would mean that we don't have to table a new motion every year. There would still be a reminder in the agendas of future GAs that CHF1000 is available, and suggestions would still be invited (the budget would thus hereby be available for an event in 2027 should anyone care to organise such an event).

**Motion 12:** *To approve a standing annual budget of CHF1000 budget for an Ada Event should any member be prepared to organize one. This budget shall remain available until it is explicitly revoked. Any proposal for an Ada Event should be subject to the approval of the board*

**Unanimously approved.**

12. Any other business.

**Proceedings terminated at 20:21**

# Ada-Switzerland



## Appendix A

### Ada-Europe Supplement for Ada User Journal Printed Version by Post

The Ada User Journal (AUJ) (issued 4x times a year) is included with membership of Ada-Europe, and up to now has been sent out by post as a printed copy to all Ada-Europe members. The Ada User Journal is also available to Ada-Europe members as a PDF online.

Beginning in 2026, Ada-Europe is charging a supplement to Ada-Europe members who want the Ada User Journal delivered in printed form by post. Members continue to be able to access the PDF version online for free, and can opt not to receive the printed version, thus avoiding the supplement.

As this decision of Ada-Europe was made after the Ada-Switzerland AGM in 2025, for administrative simplicity, the Board of Ada-Switzerland decided to cover the cost of this supplement for 2026 out of Ada-Switzerland funds (estimated cost EUR 150). See Motion 4.

However, taking into consideration that the AUJ is available freely online to all Ada-Europe members and can be printed out by individual members if so desired, the Board of Ada-Switzerland feels that the postal delivery supplement should be borne by the individual members who explicitly want the postal delivery. The Board feels that members who don't receive the printed copy by post should not have to subsidise these costs, and that the corresponding funds would be better applied to Ada support activities. See Motion 6

## Appendix B

### Anticipated Increase in the Ada-Europe Membership Dues

As the last increase in the Ada-Europe indirect membership dues took place in 2013 (some 13 years ago), it is anticipated that another increase may come soon. The difference between the dues charged by Ada-Switzerland (CHF 50/year) for indirect membership in Ada-Europe, and the dues currently charged by Ada-Europe (EUR 35) is already being used to subsidise Ada-Switzerland's Ada support activities, so any increase in the Ada-Europe membership dues will eat into the funds available for these activities.

It is anticipated that Ada-Europe might increase its dues by some EUR10 (to EUR45/year), which would represent a total cost to Ada-Switzerland of some EUR270/year. Although it would be possible to leave all of Ada-Switzerland dues unchanged, if Ada-Switzerland would like to maintain its funding of Ada support activities, the Board of Ada-Switzerland sees two alternative approaches to achieve this: either (i) Ada-Switzerland should increase the amount it charges for indirect membership of Ada-Europe by a similar amount (see Motion 8a); or (ii) Ada-Switzerland maintains the current charge for indirect membership in Ada-Europe, but increases the dues for membership in Ada-Switzerland by a similar amount (see Motion 8b). The board of Ada-Switzerland feels that the second of these two options is more transparent and equitable.

# Ada-Switzerland



## Appendix C

### Ada Switzerland: President's report 2026 delivered at the AGM held on 19-Mar-26

Members who haven't paid their dues for 2026 despite reminders (name & shame)

- None

Mutations:

- We gained 2 new members Kurt Huber and Eugen Wintersberger.

Consequently, we have 32 members: 28 of whom are also indirect members of Ada-Europe and 27 indirect members of the Ada User Society.

Ada-Europe

- This year's conference will be held in Västerås, Sweden during week 24 (09 through 12-Jun-26) which we hope will attract at least 70 people. Tutorials will be offered on Tuesday 09-Jun-26 and in the evening, there will be a welcome Apéro for all conference attendees. The two-day conference will then be held on the Wednesday and Thursday with workshops on the Friday.

For more details about the conference, visit the conference web site at

<http://www.ada-europe.org/conference2026/>

- Next year's conference AEIC 2027 is planned to be held in Berlin, Germany.
- Ada-Europe has arranged the publication of the Ada 2022 Reference Manual with Springer as part of their LNCS series and will be able to place a one-off bulk purchase order at a considerable discount.

The original plan was to publish just the RM but delays by Springer meant that by the time they were ready to publish, the corrigendum was available and therefore Ada-Europe decided to publish a Consolidated Reference Manual consisting of the RM and its corrigendum.

Then, much to everyone's astonishment, ISO rejected the corrigendum insisting that it be modified to become an Amendment. That meant changes to the CRM and reformatting.

The plan is now to publish the CRM, the RM plus proposed amendment later this year.



# Ada-Switzerland

Note that publication will not be further delayed by any ISO decisions because we intend to publish the proposed amendment.

The Ada 2022 CRM has grown to over 1100 pages and because this is too large to be printed in a single volume it has been split into three:

- Vol. 1, Core Language, 415 pp.
- Vol. 2, Standard Libraries and Interfacing, 372 pp.
- Vol. 3, Specialized Needs Annexes, Summaries, and Indexes, 320 pp.

The complete set of three volumes will be offered to the Ada-Europe membership at the special price of 70 EUR inclusive of tax, post and packaging. This is expected to be approximately half the full retail price.

- The financial position of Ada-Europe is getting precarious, to the extent that unless something is done Ada-Europe will exhaust its funds within the next four to five years.  
At the forthcoming GA (June 2026), Ada-Europe will table two motions: one to increase the cost of membership, the other to increase the AUJ postal contribution.

Ada-Switzerland needs to decide whether it supports these motions and what it intends to do with regard to its own pricing should either of these motions be past.

Unlike Ada-Europe, the finances of Ada Switzerland are sound, primarily due to strength of the Swiss Franc against the EUR.

Ada-Switzerland has not changed its fees since its inauguration in 2008 (18 years ago)

## Threema

- Members are reminded that Ada-Switzerland has a Threema group which they are invited to join by simply emailing me their Threema id or sending a message to HKWCWF5S

# Ada-Switzerland



## Appendix D

Ada Switzerland: Treasurer's report report 2025 delivered at the AGM held on 19-Mar-26

Income and Expenditure Summary		
for the Year Ending 31st December 2025		
	Year:	
Item	2025	2024
	CHF	CHF
<b>Receipts:</b>		
Total Membership Dues Received from Members during the Year	2,040.00	2,337.50
Ada-Europe Subsidy for Ada User Society Members	338.83	0.00
Membership Book Offers	0.00	0.00
Other Income	0.00	0.00
Interests Received	0.00	0.00
Total Income:	2,378.83	2,337.50
<b>Outgoings (Ada Support):</b>		
Ada Europe Indirect Membership Fees paid out	897.67	978.15
Ada User Society Indirect Membership Fees paid out	313.40	0.00
AEiC Awards	0.00	340.10
Charitable Donations	0.00	0.00
Swiss Ada Event	1,064.25	0.00
<i>Total Outgoings (Ada Support):</i>	2,275.32	1,318.25
<b>Outgoings (Administrative Expenses):</b>		
Bank Charges	60.00	60.00
Counter Pay-In Charge on Membership Dues	0.00	0.00
Internet Domain Registration	16.40	16.40
Internet Website Hosting, SSL Certificate	90.75	78.75
Stationery, Postage, etc., Expenses	35.79	37.84
AGM Expenses	236.70	320.60
Other Expenses	0.00	0.00
<i>Total Outgoings (administrative expenses):</i>	439.64	513.59
<b>Total Outgoings:</b>	2,714.96	1,831.84
Net Receipts for the Year	-336.13	505.66
Tax on Net Receipts	0.00	0.00
Receipts Net of Tax	-336.13	505.66

# Ada-Switzerland



Ada Switzerland			
Balance Sheet			
as of 31st December 2025			
	Period/Currency:	2025	2024
Item		CHF	CHF
<b>Assets:</b>			
Balance on PF Account on 31st Dec.		9,712.37	10,048.50
Debtors		0.00	0.00
Loans		0.00	0.00
Total Assets:		9,712.37	10,048.50
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Membership Fees for Subsequent Year(s) Received Before the End of the Current year		1,600.00	1,510.00
Ada-Europe Dues pending for New Members		0.00	8.22
Other Creditors		0.00	0.00
Total Liabilities:		1,600.00	1,518.22
Net Assets (1):		8,112.37	8,530.28
Net Receipts (from Income & Expenditure sheet)		-336.13	505.66
Increase in Liabilities at end-year		81.78	309.25
Net Profit for Year (Loss if -ve)		-417.91	196.41
Net Assets at the End of the Previous Year		8,530.28	8,333.87
Net Assets (2):		8,112.37	8,530.28
Discrepancy (Net Assets (1) minus Net Assets (2) )		0.00	0.00

# Ada-Switzerland



## Appendix E

### Report of the independent auditor

To:  
Ada Switzerland  
c/o Ahlan Marriott  
Altweg 5  
8450 Andelfingen  
Switzerland

Aarburg, March 2026.

#### **Ada Switzerland Accounts 2025**

To whom it may concern,

I have carefully examined the Ada Switzerland accounts for 2025, as described in the Income and Expenditure and the Balance sheets to be presented at the AGM 2026, as well as the supporting documentation provided to me by the Treasurer of Ada Switzerland.

I have found, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the aforementioned accounts are an adequate, correct and accurate representation of the association's finances during the year 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H. Rodriguez". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Holger Rodriguez  
Ada Switzerland Elected Independent Auditor 2026  
Blumenweg 2  
4663 Aarburg

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